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Commissioner for Patents
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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/233,218
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Title: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated
with the Tetrapyrrole Pathway
Applicants: CAJACOB *et al.*
Atty. Docket: 16517.231

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences; and
2. a return postcard.

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Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 16517.231. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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